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(An official British source):

The former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, Hajj Amin al-HUSAYNI, arrived in Syria in early July 1956, with instructions from the Egyptian President Jamal Adl NASSER to confer with the exiled leaders of the Muslim Brotherhood concerning the effect the group's propaganda had on the Arabs in Muslim countries. With the help of their supporters in Damascus, exiled Muslim Brotherhood leaders have produced a weekly paper, Al-Sihab and a weekly magazine, Ikwan al-Muslimin. However, NASSER was particularly concerned about the effect of the Islamic Conference which was held in Damascus at the end of June.

Hajj Amin had discussions with the leading Muslim Brothers over a two-week period at the end of which they finally agreed to stop their propaganda activities and cooperate with the Syrian government. Their terms are as follows:

- a. The release of the leader Hasan Al-HUDAIFI, the return of all his confiscated property, and compensation for his material and moral losses.
- b. Cancellation of the decrees outlawing the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, with the return of property to the organization and compensation for their losses, plus compensation for the families of those sentenced to death.

Hajj AMIN promised to transmit these terms to NASSER.

Hajj AMIN was asked by the Syrian Government to supervise the preparation of the Fadayan units in Syria, composed of Palestinian youths, for the sabotage inside of Israel. As of August, Hajj regularly visited the commando training camps, which are situated outside the Damascus, near the Israeli border, on the southern road from Damascus to Lebanon

..... There are 10 units in Syria, consisting of 50 men, between 25 and 30 yrs. Training includes operational intelligence, etc. Syrian officers train them. ....

In August their number one leader was Tawfiq al-HUSAYNI of Jerusalem, 30 year old, follower of the Mufti, who sent him to Germany for world war training. He was then parachuted into Jericho, and joined Abd al-Qadir, Mufti's cousin, and his activities were to blow up the Palestine Post building.

Hajj AMIN is trying to get the Syrian govt to increase this Fadayan infiltration. For further information on ISLAMIC conference, see TGS, 104227.

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